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**320th COVID-19-related Fatality Reported;
 COVID-19 Test Results: 349 New Cases, 42 Hospitalized;
 No Symptoms Needed to Test for COVID-19**

320th COVID-19-related Fatality Reported

Today, the Joint Information Center was notified that Guam’s 320th COVID-19-related fatality occurred at the U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam on February 23, 2022. The patient was an 82-year-old male, unvaccinated, with underlying health conditions, who tested positive on February 9.

“To his family and those who loved him, Jeff, Josh, and I offer our deepest sympathies and condolences,” said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. “Our elderly and our sick remain vulnerable to this virus. Now, more than ever, we must pay extra attention to our loved ones and their health and wellness. Get tested and know your status if you are feeling sick or you feel you may have been exposed. The sooner you get tested, the earlier you can take action and preserve life.”

DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE.

Look for emergency warning signs for COVID-19. Call 911 if you have trouble breathing, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion, inability to wake or stay awake, or bluish lips or face. Individuals who are sick are advised to:

- Stay home, except to seek medical care. Call ahead before visiting the clinic/doctor.
- Monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 including fever, cough, and shortness of breath, fatigue, body aches, headaches, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion, nausea and/or diarrhea.
- Get tested if you have symptoms of COVID-19. While waiting for test results, you should stay away from others, including staying apart from those living in your household.

Older Adults, People with Serious Chronic Medical Conditions are Most at Risk for Serious Complications and Death Due to SARS-CoV-2/COVID-19

Serious chronic medical conditions include:

- Heart disease
- Diabetes
- Lung disease
- Obesity
- Immunocompromised conditions (e.g. cancer, lupus)
- Chronic renal disease
- Neurologic or neurodevelopmental condition
- Current or former smoking
- Chronic liver disease

42 Hospitalized for COVID-19

CENSUS as of 4 p.m.	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL
COVID-19 Admission	27	15	0	42
Pediatric Admissions	1	-	-	1

ICU	4	2	0	6
Ventilator	2	0	0	2

VACCINATION STATUS	VACCINATED	UNVACCINATED	INELIGIBLE (0-4 years old)
Hospitalized	27	15	0
Total in Population*	134,625	6,982	12,229
Rate per 100,000 Population	20	215	0

SPECIAL NOTE: Based on today's data, if we were to compare two (2) hypothetical populations of 100,000 people each, vaccinated versus unvaccinated, there would be 20 vaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19 compared to 215 unvaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19. The risk of being hospitalized for COVID-19 is about 11 times higher for the unvaccinated as compared to the vaccinated. *Estimated population is based on DPHSS Immunization Program analysis of 2020 Census data. Updates are expected pending further Census 2020 data breakdown.

COVID-19 Test Results: 349 New Cases of COVID-19

Today, the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) reported **349** new cases of COVID-19 from **1,124** specimens analyzed on February 22, 2022. **99** of the cases reported today are through the Department of Defense. To date, there have been a total of **43,560** officially reported cases, **320** deaths, **3,237** cases in active isolation, and **40,003** not in active isolation.

No Symptoms Needed to Test for COVID-19

No symptoms are needed to test at the Tiyán community testing site. COVID-19 testing at DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center (NRCHC) and Southern Region Community Health Center (SRCHC) will continue to be offered to **only** symptomatic patients and close contacts by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, visit tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme.

FREE COVID-19 COMMUNITY TESTING	
Fill out a COVID-19 Testing Patient Assessment Form ahead of time, available at dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing .	
Feb. 24–26, 2022: 8 a.m. - 12 p.m., 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.	Old Carnival Grounds, Tiyán, Barrigada COVID-19 testing will be offered by appointment through tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme . Four adults per vehicle. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing will not be offered. NO SYMPTOMS NEEDED TO TEST FOR COVID-19
Feb. 24–26, 2022: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center (SRCHC), Inaláhan By appointment only for individuals with COVID-like symptoms. Four adults per vehicle. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing will not be offered. Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518. Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme <hr/> DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center (NRCHC), Dededo By appointment only for individuals with COVID-like symptoms. Four adults per vehicle. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing will not be offered. Call (671) 635-7525/6 to schedule an appointment.

FREE COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINICS (AGES 5 AND OVER)	
FIRST DOSES, SECOND DOSES, AND BOOSTER SHOTS AVAILABLE Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson	
Feb. 25–26, 2022: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.	University of Guam Field House, Mangilao: Register: tinyurl.com/vaxguam Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be expedited. Bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing.

CLOSED: Thursday	The COVID-19 vaccination clinic operating at the UOG Field House will close on Saturday, February 26, 2022.
Feb. 24–26, 2022: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.	DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center (NRCHC), Dededo Call 671-635-4418/7400 to schedule an appointment. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. Walk-ins welcome. Curbside vaccination available for people with disabilities. Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme
Feb. 24–25, 2022: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center (SRCHC), Inalåhan Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518 to schedule an appointment. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. Walk-ins welcome. Curbside vaccination available for people with disabilities. Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme
Feb. 24, 2022: 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	Tamuning Elementary School* After-school vaccination clinic open to the community. Walk-ins welcome. Minors must have birth certificate, parents must have government-issued photo ID. *Serving students from both L.B.J Elementary and Tamuning Elementary
Feb. 26, 2022: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Agat Gym, Hågat - Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme COVID-19 vaccination support clinic for families of children with disabilities and also open to the community. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be expedited. Bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Minors must have a birth certificate, parents must have a government-issued photo ID. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing.

Mangilao mAb Treatment Center Reopens

The monoclonal antibody therapy (mAb) Treatment Center located at the Mangilao Senior Citizens Center in Mangilao has reopened for COVID-19 therapeutic services. The hours of operation are from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m Monday through Saturday. Patients must receive a referral from a physician in order to qualify for treatment at the Mangilao mAb Treatment Center.

Guam COVID-19 Vaccination Update

As of February 22, 2022, a total of **134,625** of Guam’s eligible population (residents 5 years and older) is fully vaccinated. This total includes **13,204** residents 12 – 17 years old. **7,332** residents 5 – 11 years old received their first dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech two dose series. **5,269** residents 5 – 11 years old have completed their two-dose series. An additional **112** residents have received their booster shots and a total of **54,539** booster shots have been administered to eligible residents since September 29, 2021.

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